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Dear Phil.

Another Christmas has come and gone with its joys and heart aches. I do not think that I ever found the problem of select-gifts as impossible as it was today. Nothing fit to buy and at a price most unreasonable. I never thought that I would live to see the day that plain printed calico would be priced at fifty-nine cent a yard and so thin that it wouldn't even turn a dingue mosquito. I did not have your present address so sent your wife and baby a package to Lenora, North Carolina, care of Dan Stubbs. Mr. Gardner of the Commercial Bank showed me your letter to him in regard to the G. D. C. Certificates, but I failed to get your address. Why don't you boys get together and look after your own property here? City and county taxes are due every year. Sudduth has a tax deed to your lot 13 block 36, and Grace and I have been paying taxes on the First Street lot for years. I hate to see this property go to someone else but no one has ask me to take a hand. And of course it is not necessary that I should if you boys would get together and appoint one of you to do it.

May 1945 bring such changes in universal conditions that you and other young men may be reunited with your families and your children know the joy of having their daddies at home.

Lots of Love,

Grandmamma